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ORGANIZATIONAL LOCATION OF MUSEUM INSTITUTE

In order to locate the new museum authority within the National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities, these changes should be made:

1. Amend the basic NEA/NEH authorizing legislation (PL 89-209) by replacing Subsection (a) of Section 4 with language as follows (changes from existing language are underlined):

Sec. 4, (a) There is established a National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation"), which shall be composed of a National Endowment for the Arts, a National Endowment for the Humanities, a Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities (hereinafter established), and the Institute for the Improvement of Museum Services as established by Section _____:

(The following changes are made to the original S-1800 as introduced in May 1975 by Senators Pell and Javits)

2. Section 203 (beginning on page 7, line 21) should be rewritten to strike "DHEW" and replace with "National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities".

3. Subsection (a) of Section ²⁰⁴402 (page 8, line 4) should be rewritten as follows:

The Board shall consist of 15 members, of whom 5 members are also members of the National Council on the Arts, including and designated by the Chairman of the National Council of the Arts, and consisting of 5 members of the National Council of the Humanities, and 5 members who are not members of the National Council for the Arts or the National Council for the Humanities, appointed by the President with the advise and consent of the Senate.

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4. Adjust Section 204(b) (2) to conform with changes made in #3.

5. In Section 204(c) (page 9, line 10) drop "appointed members of the Board" and replace with "appointed members of the Board who are not also members of the National Council on the Arts or National Council on the Humanities.

6. Section 205(b) should be dropped and replaced with the following:

(b) the Director shall advise the Board regarding policies of the Institute to assure coordination of the Institute's activities with other agencies and organizations of the Federal Government having interest in and responsibilities for the improvement of museums.

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Such government agencies shall include but are not limited to the National Endowment for the Arts, National Endowment for the Humanities, National Science Foundation, Health, Education, and Welfare, Library of Congress, and the Smithsonian Institution and related organizations.

7. At the conclusion of Section 204 (page 10, line 20), add a new subsection (g) as follows:

(g) The Board shall, with the advice of the Director, take steps to assure that the policies and programs of the Institute are well coordinated with other activities of the Federal Government.